

# **Benchmarking Results (Phase II) and Status**

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# Phase II Solution Requirements

- Provide four orbital solutions adhering to strict modeling requirements in the benchmark plan
  - (A) Nominal Model integration
  - (B) Iteration of (A) for state vector and constant along-track accelerations, (Fixed EOP and Station Coordinates)
  - (C) Final Orbit Standard Version (as in (B) but adjusting EOP and Station Coordinates also)
  - (D) Final Orbit Optimal Version using analysis center dependent modeling (\*\*\*) FULLY DESCRIBED (\*\*\*)
- Solution D was optional

# Phase II Solution Requirements

- Provide the following files with each solution:
  - A) Orbital parameters, station residuals and data corrections
  - B) Orbital parameters, station residuals and data corrections
  - C) Orbital parameters, station residuals and data corrections, and SINEX file with estimated station coordinates and EOP
  - D) Orbital parameters, station residuals and data corrections, and SINEX file with estimated station coordinates and EOP

# Benchmark Evaluation Categories

- Orbit C would be used for the *'official'* test (i.e. no pass/fail for orbits A,B and D)
- **Note: Orbit C is not the BEST orbit, but if we use the same models, then we should get the same results.**
- Categories
  - Orbital Parameters (Radial, Cross, Along)
  - Range Corrections (tropospheric, relativity, CoM)
  - Residuals
  - Station Coordinates
  - EOP
- Pass/Fail Criteria (per Category) are to be developed

# Benchmark Metrics

- Orbital parameters
  - Compare each component (i.e. radial, cross-track, along track) from each solution
    - RMS Difference
    - Mean Difference
    - No obvious systematics

# Benchmark Metrics

- Range Corrections
  - CoM
    - Perfect Agreement (0mm)
      - May need to retest if the Signal Processing WG can provide site specific LAGEOS CoM corrections
  - Relativity Correction
    - RMS Difference
    - Mean Difference
    - No obvious systematics (e.g. no correlation with range)
  - Tropospheric Correction
    - RMS Difference
    - Mean Difference
    - No obvious systematics (e.g. no correlation with range)

# Benchmark Metrics

- Residuals
  - RMS Difference
  - Mean Difference
  - No obvious systematics (e.g. discontinuities, temporal drifts)

# Benchmark Metrics

- Station Coordinates

Each station position from each solution will be compared to ITRF2000 (i.e. the a priori condition).

- Site X Positions

- RMS agreement

- Site Y Positions

- RMS agreement

- Site Z Positions

- RMS agreement

- Site Heights

- Height agreement per site

## Benchmark Metrics

- Earth Orientation Parameters (EOP)

All EOP solutions will be compared to C04.

- For X Pole, Y Pole and LOD
  - RMS Agreement
- UT1 (no pass/fail criteria)

# Benchmark Phase II Solutions

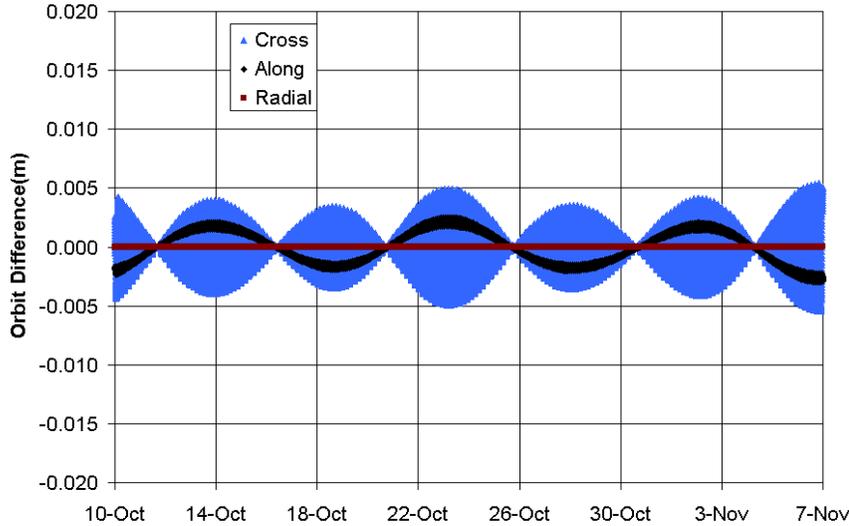
| Analysis Center | Solution |     |     |     | Comments                       |
|-----------------|----------|-----|-----|-----|--------------------------------|
|                 | "A"      | "B" | "C" | "D" |                                |
| ASI             | V14      | V14 | V14 | V14 |                                |
| DGFI            |          |     |     | V10 | Developing required models     |
| GEOS            | V10      | V10 | V10 | V10 |                                |
| GFZ             | V10      | V10 | V10 | V10 |                                |
| IAAK            | V11      | V11 | V11 |     | Developing required models     |
| JCET            | V11      | V11 | V12 | V12 | V11 had tight EOP constraints  |
| NERC            |          |     | V11 |     | Developing tidal loading model |

# Benchmark Results (Orbit Parameters)

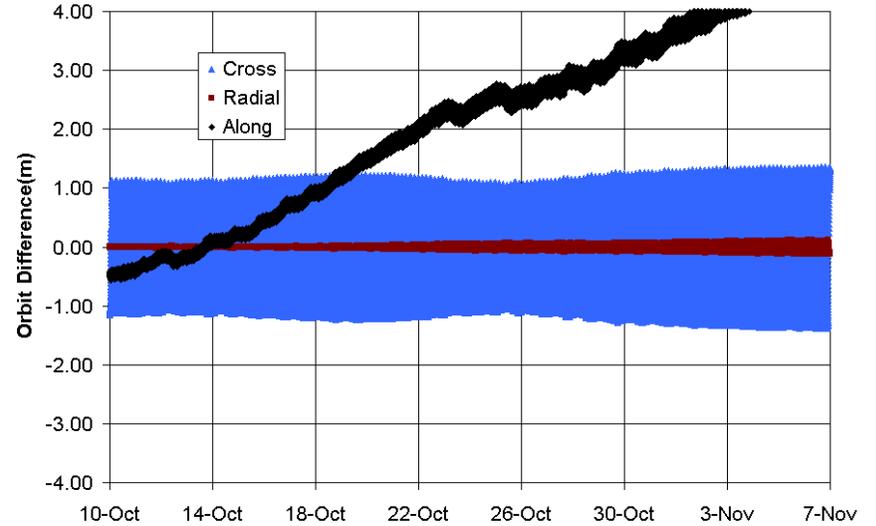
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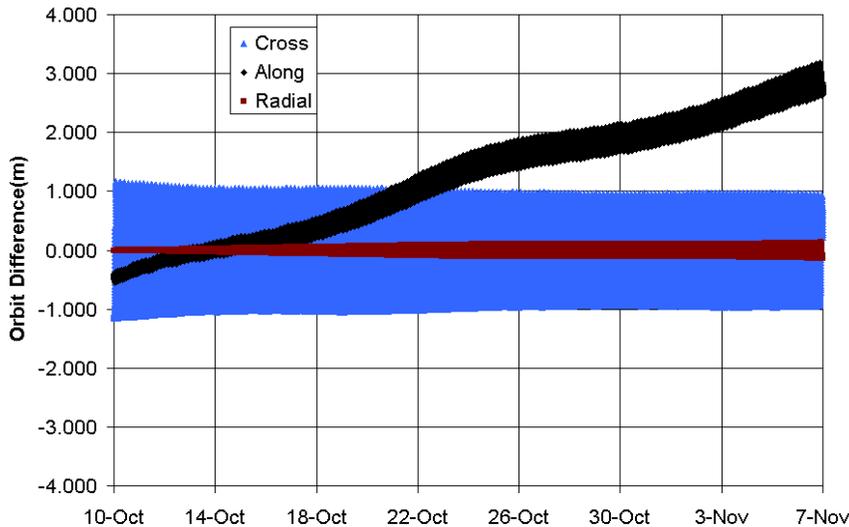
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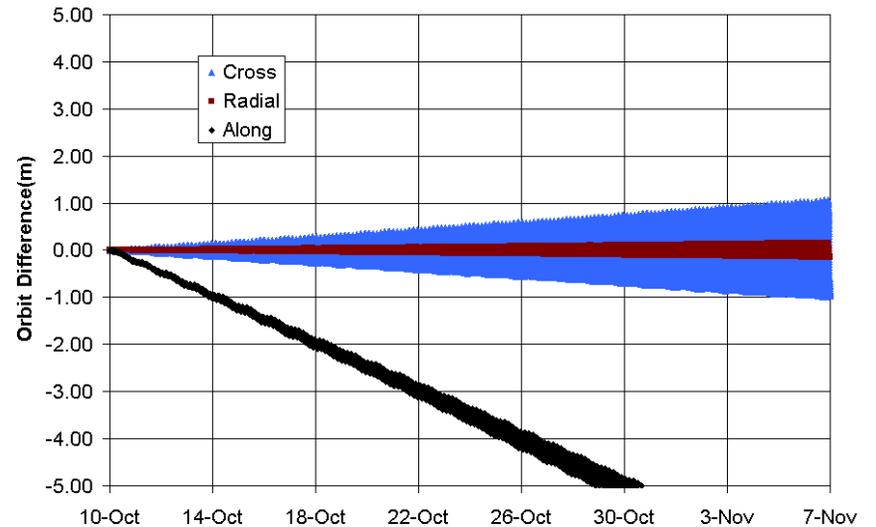
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Orbit "A" Comparisons (JCET V11 vs GFZ V10)

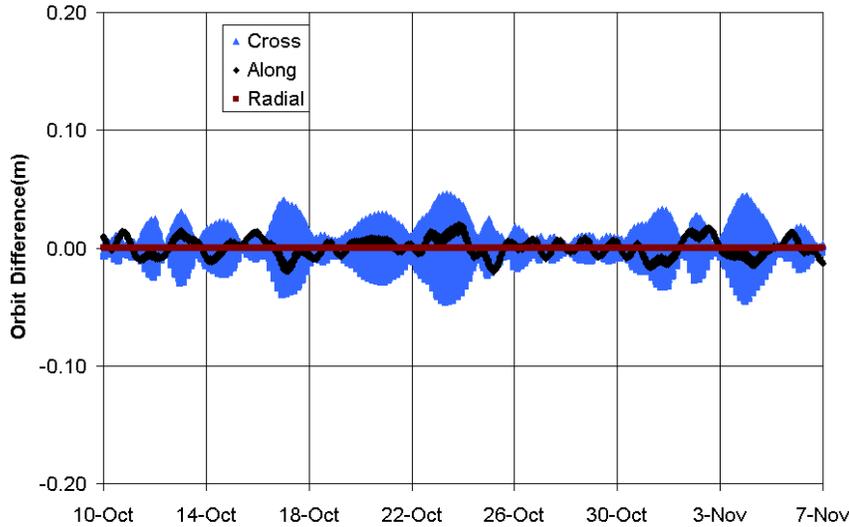


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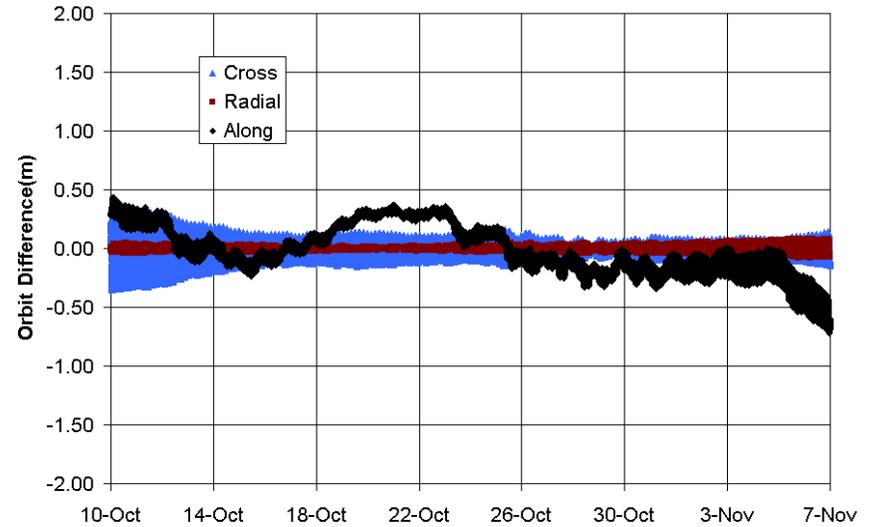


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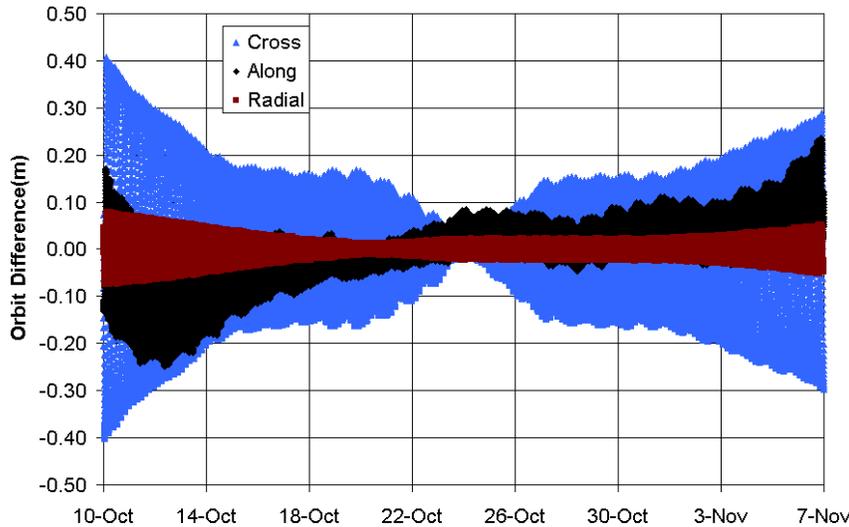
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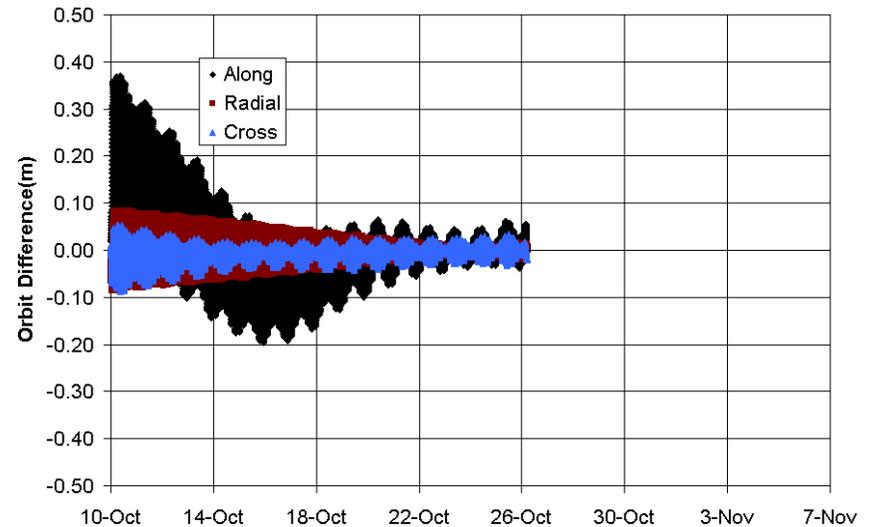
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Orbit "B" Comparisons (JCET V11 vs GFZ V10)

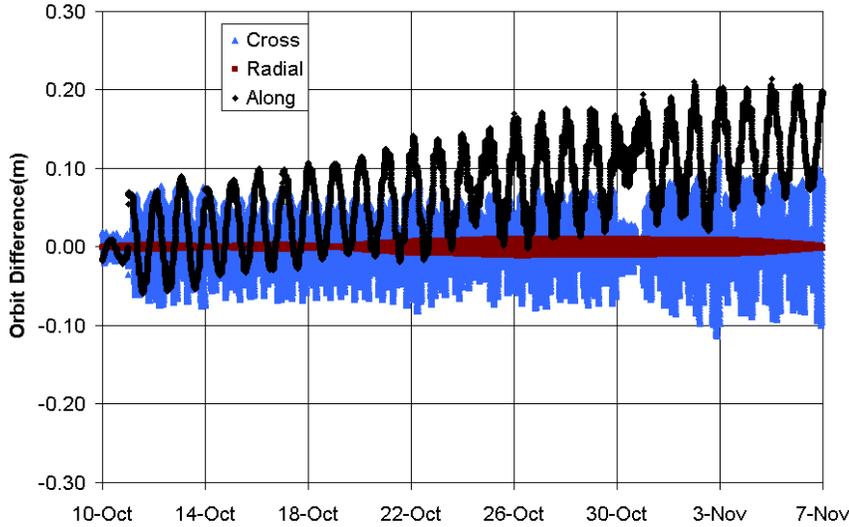


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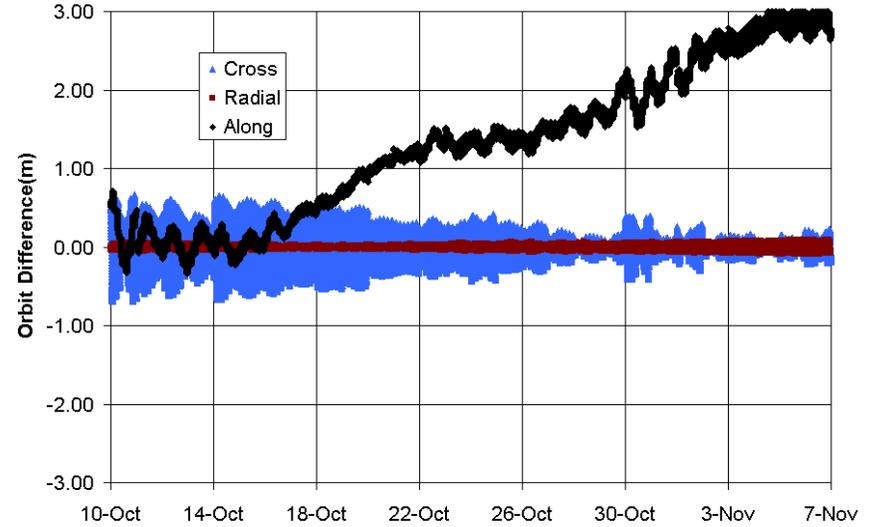


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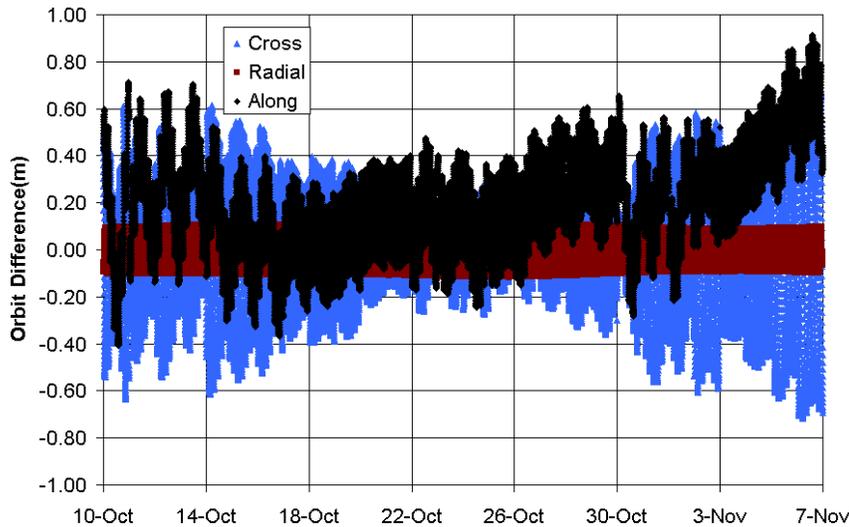
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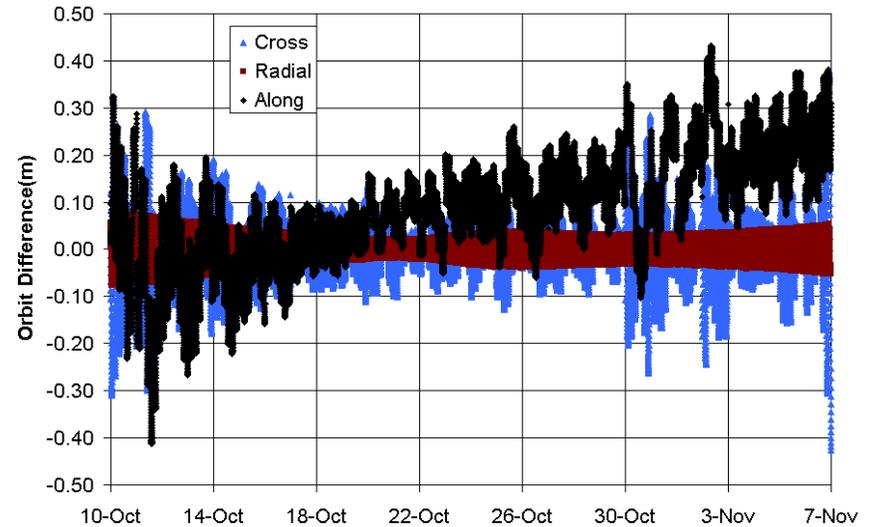
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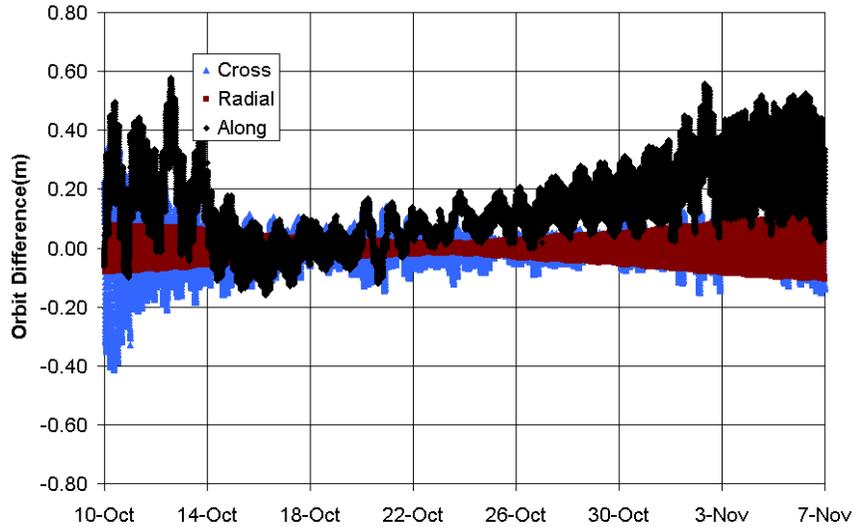


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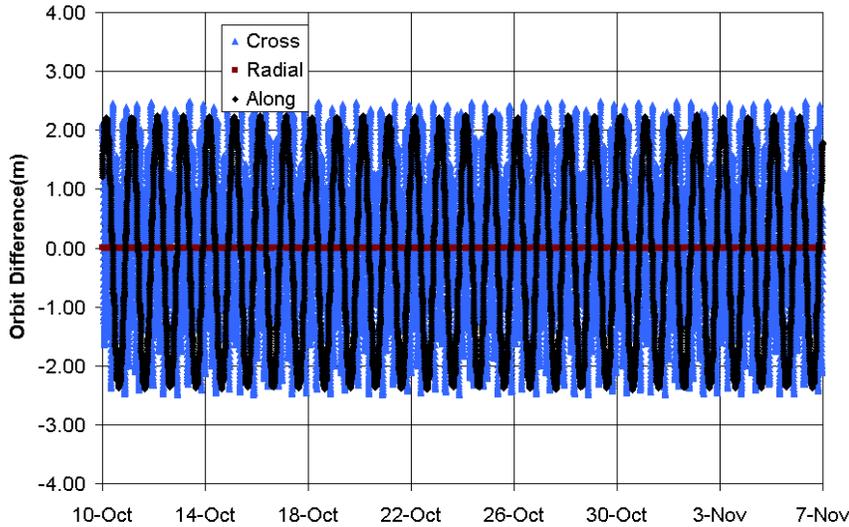
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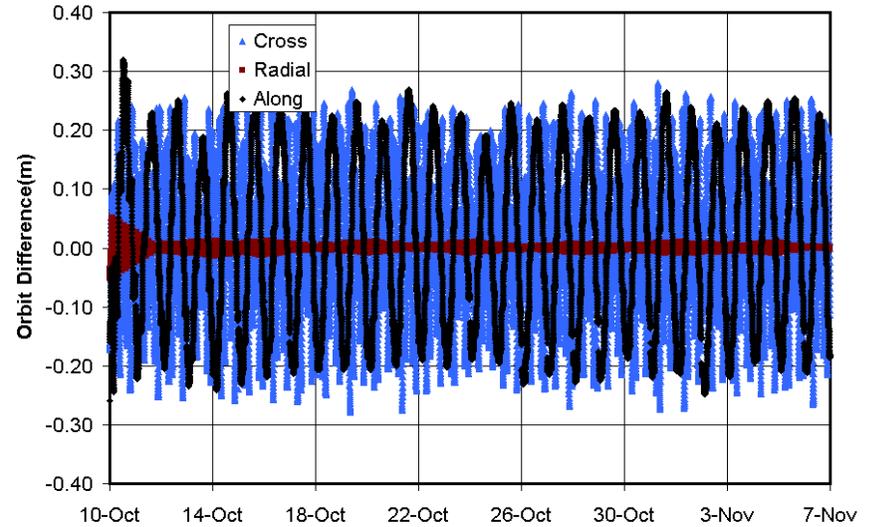


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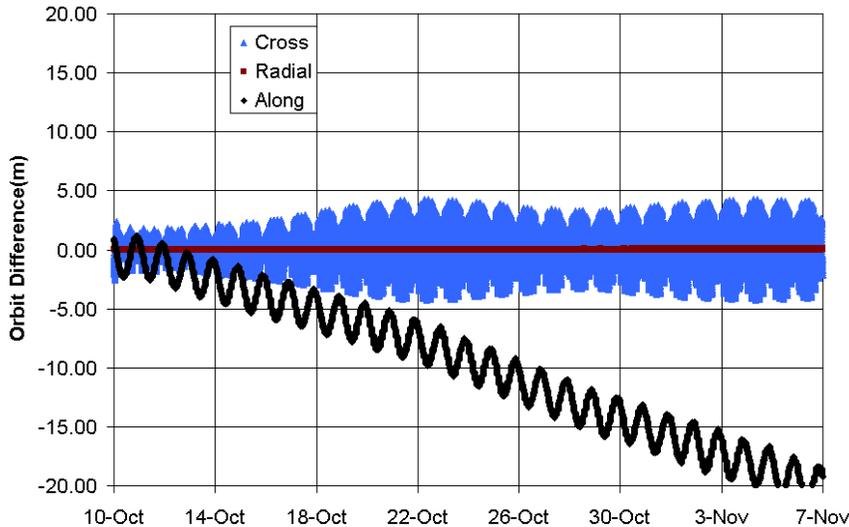
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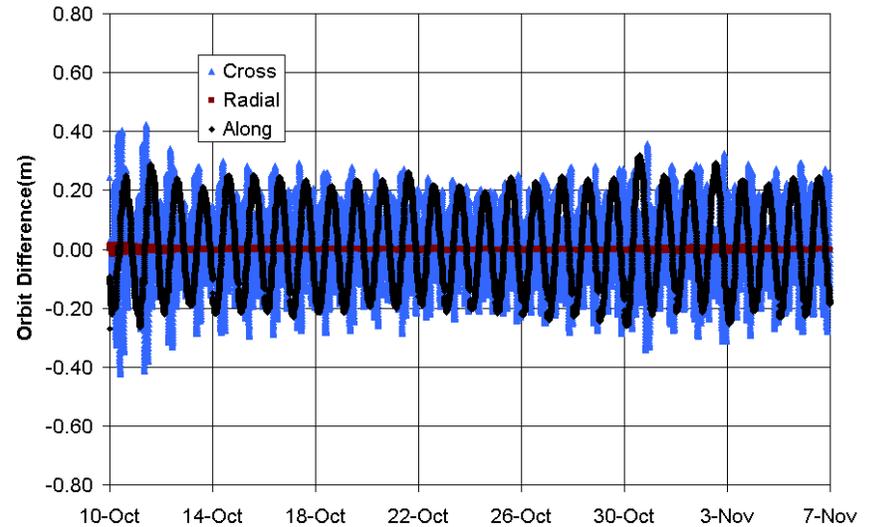
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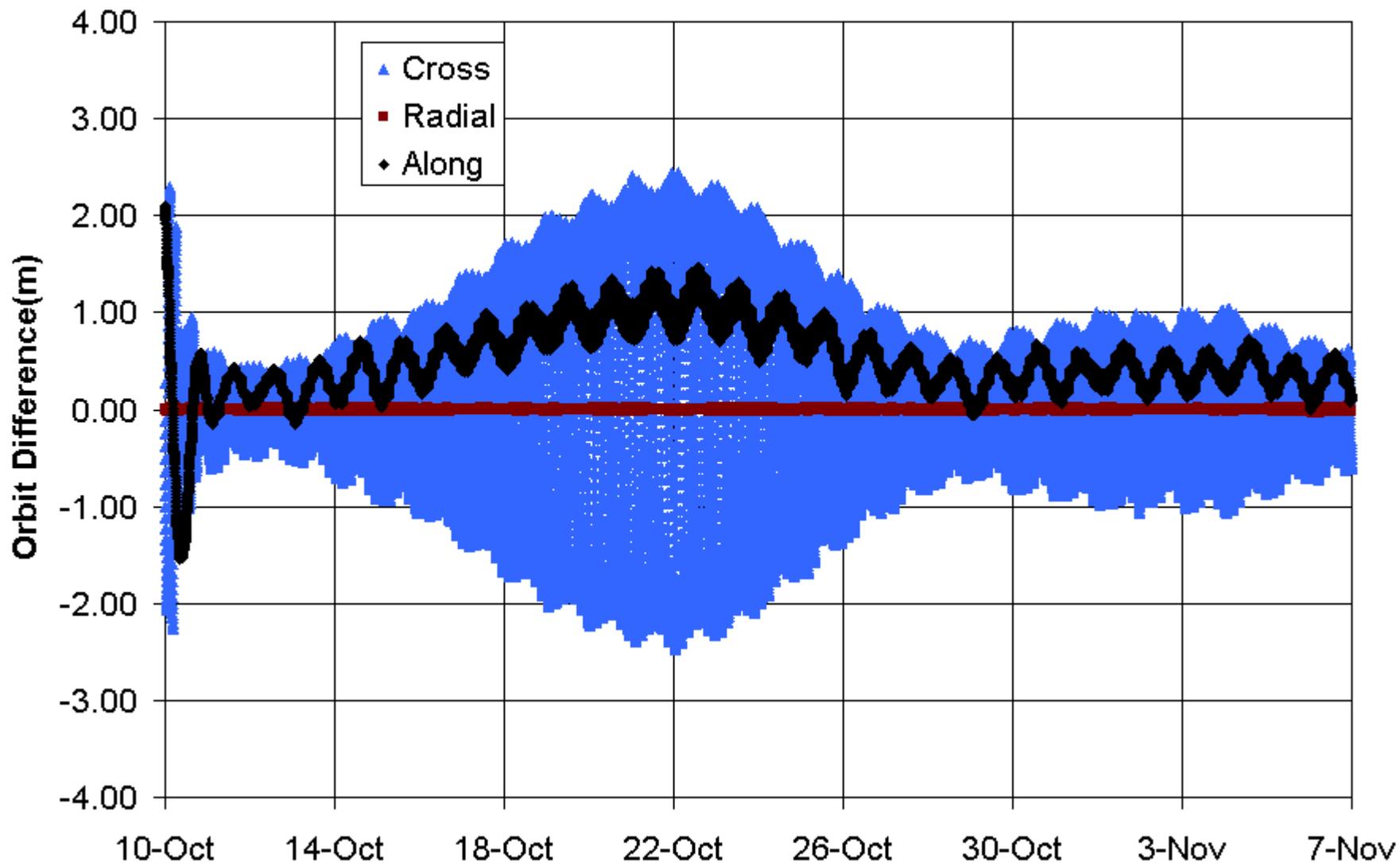
Orbit "D" Comparisons (JCET V12 vs DGFI V10)



Orbit "D" Comparisons (JCET V12 vs GEOS V10)



## Orbit "D" Comparisons (JCET V12 vs DGFI V11)



# Range Corrections (Tropospheric, Relativity, CoM)

*Note: All solutions compared to ASI.*

# Range Correction Differences

## Relativity

| Category | DGFI-ASI | GEOS-ASI | GFZ-ASI | IAAK-ASI | JCET-ASI | NERC-ASI |
|----------|----------|----------|---------|----------|----------|----------|
| Mean(m)  | 0.0000   | 0.0000   | 0.0000  | 0.0000   | 0.0000   | 0.0000   |
| RMS(m)   | 0.0000   | 0.0000   | 0.0000  | 0.0000   | 0.0000   | 0.0000   |
| Min(m)   | 0.0000   | -0.0001  | 0.0000  | -0.0001  | -0.0001  | -0.0001  |
| Max(m)   | 0.0001   | 0.0001   | 0.0001  | 0.0000   | 0.0001   | 0.0001   |

## LAGEOS Center of Mass

| Category | DGFI-ASI | GEOS-ASI | GFZ-ASI | IAAK-ASI | JCET-ASI | NERC-ASI |
|----------|----------|----------|---------|----------|----------|----------|
| Mean(m)  | 0.0000   | 0.0000   | 0.0000  | 0.0000   | 0.0000   | 0.0000   |
| RMS(m)   | 0.0000   | 0.0000   | 0.0000  | 0.0000   | 0.0000   | 0.0000   |
| Min(m)   | 0.0000   | 0.0000   | 0.0000  | 0.0000   | 0.0000   | 0.0000   |
| Max(m)   | 0.0000   | 0.0000   | 0.0000  | 0.0000   | 0.0000   | 0.0000   |

## Troposphere

| Category | DGFI-ASI | GEOS-ASI | GFZ-ASI | IAAK-ASI | JCET-ASI | NERC-ASI |
|----------|----------|----------|---------|----------|----------|----------|
| Mean(m)  | 0.0000   | -0.0017  | 0.0000  | 0.0000   | 0.0000   | 0.0000   |
| RMS(m)   | 0.0001   | 0.0013   | 0.0001  | 0.0001   | 0.0003   | 0.0000   |
| Min(m)   | -0.0004  | -0.0068  | -0.0004 | -0.0004  | -0.0006  | -0.0001  |
| Max(m)   | 0.0002   | 0.0005   | 0.0002  | 0.0003   | 0.0006   | 0.0001   |

| Analysis Center  | Number of Residuals |
|--|---------------------|
| ASI  | 4711                |
| DGFI   | 4710                |
| GEOS   | 4711                |
| GFZ  | 4710                |
| IAAK   | 4711                |
| JCET   | 4710                |
| NERC   | 4710                |
| <b>DGFI, GFZ, JCET &amp; NERC<br/>missing the last point</b> |                     |

# **Residuals**

## **(RMS, Mean)**

# Residual Comparisons

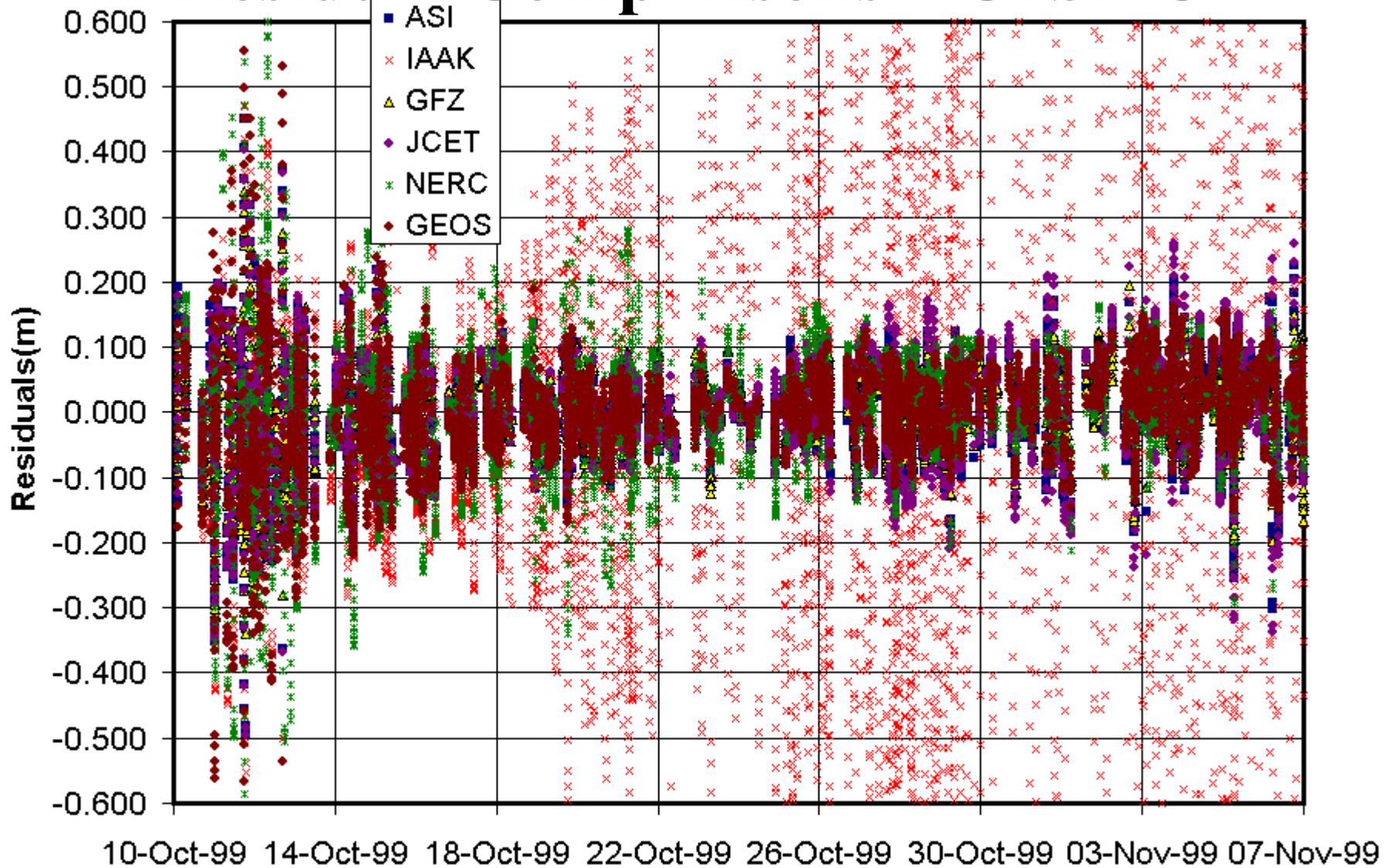
| Residuals Orbit A |         |      |         |         |         |         |      |
|-------------------|---------|------|---------|---------|---------|---------|------|
| Category          | ASI     | DGFI | GEOS    | GFZ     | IAAK    | JCET    | NERC |
| Mean(m)           | 0.1040  |      | 0.1999  | 0.1565  | 0.1524  | 0.1038  |      |
| RMS(m)            | 0.9584  |      | 1.9263  | 0.7273  | 0.6199  | 0.9584  |      |
| Min(m)            | -4.2314 |      | -7.7860 | -3.1474 | -2.2864 | -4.2309 |      |
| Max(m)            | 4.4733  |      | 7.9870  | 3.3340  | 2.6178  | 4.4724  |      |

| Residuals Orbit B |         |      |         |         |         |         |      |
|-------------------|---------|------|---------|---------|---------|---------|------|
| Category          | ASI     | DGFI | GEOS    | GFZ     | IAAK    | JCET    | NERC |
| Mean(m)           | -0.0009 |      | -0.0043 | -0.0024 | -0.0064 | -0.0010 |      |
| RMS(m)            | 0.0954  |      | 0.0993  | 0.1001  | 0.1130  | 0.0955  |      |
| Min(m)            | -0.4522 |      | -0.4970 | -0.4476 | -0.5568 | -0.4524 |      |
| Max(m)            | 0.3669  |      | 0.4610  | 0.3723  | 0.4518  | 0.3696  |      |

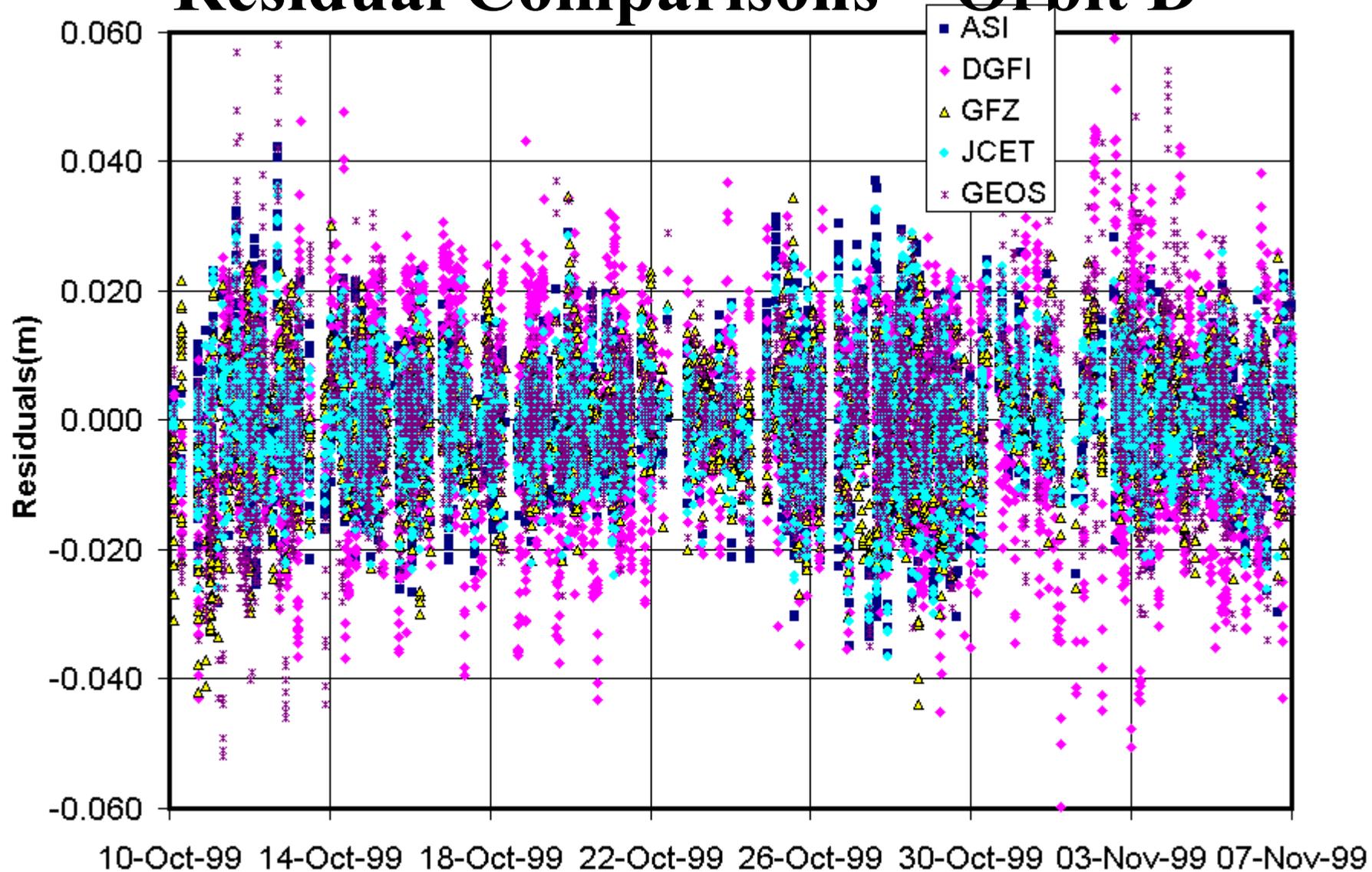
| Residuals Orbit C |         |      |         |         |         |         |         |
|-------------------|---------|------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Category          | ASI     | DGFI | GEOS    | GFZ     | IAAK    | JCET    | NERC    |
| Mean(m)           | 0.0014  |      | -0.0019 | 0.0010  | -0.0263 | 0.0023  | 0.0013  |
| RMS(m)            | 0.0777  |      | 0.0856  | 0.0658  | 0.3834  | 0.0814  | 0.1069  |
| Min(m)            | -0.4943 |      | -0.6300 | -0.3399 | -1.2979 | -0.4961 | -0.6822 |
| Max(m)            | 0.4516  |      | 0.6070  | 0.3388  | 1.2832  | 0.4504  | 0.6017  |

| Residuals Orbit D |         |         |         |         |      |         |      |
|-------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|------|---------|------|
| Category          | ASI     | DGFI    | GEOS    | GFZ     | IAAK | JCET    | NERC |
| Mean(m)           | 0.0002  | 0.0000  | 0.0003  | -0.0001 |      | -0.0001 |      |
| RMS(m)            | 0.0095  | 0.0141  | 0.0115  | 0.0091  |      | 0.0087  |      |
| Min(m)            | -0.0360 | -0.0598 | -0.0520 | -0.0439 |      | -0.0366 |      |
| Max(m)            | 0.0423  | 0.0592  | 0.0670  | 0.0347  |      | 0.0361  |      |

# Residual Comparisons – Orbit C

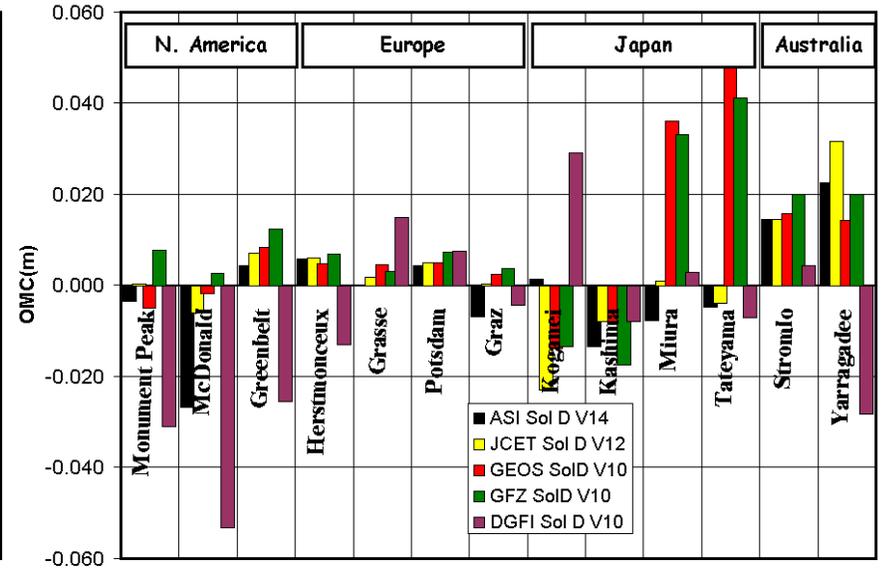
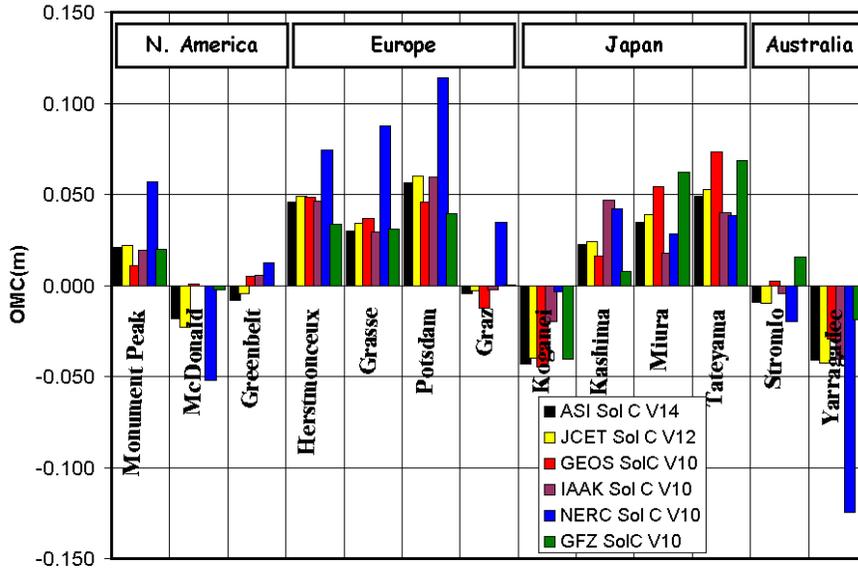


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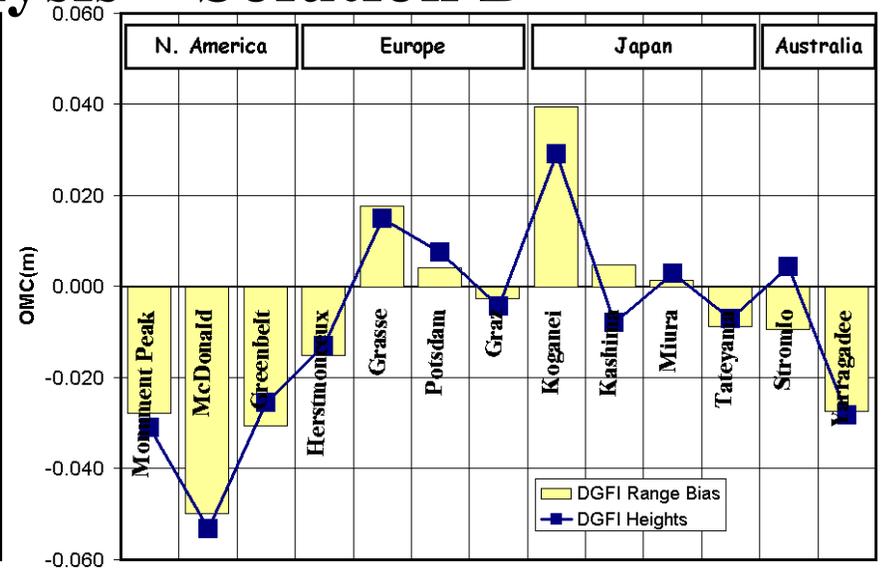
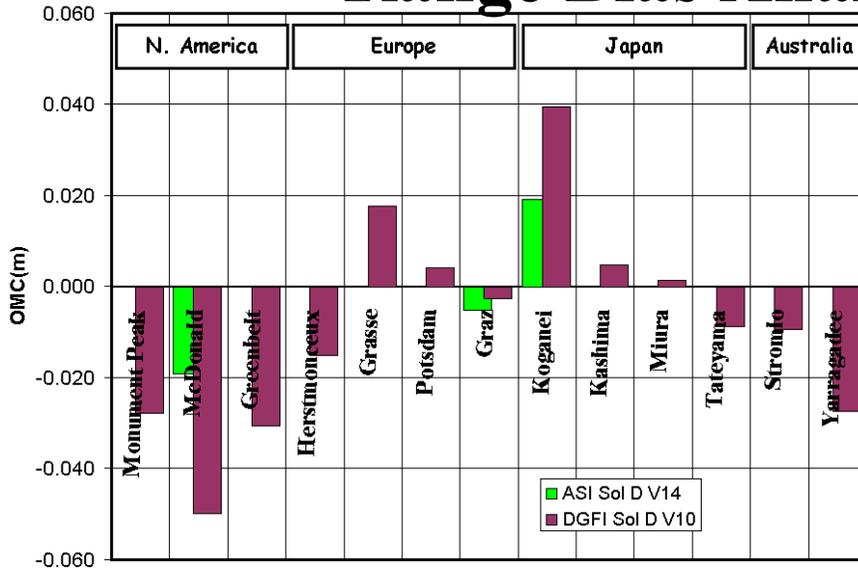


# **Station Position (X, Y, Z, Heights)**

# Station Heights

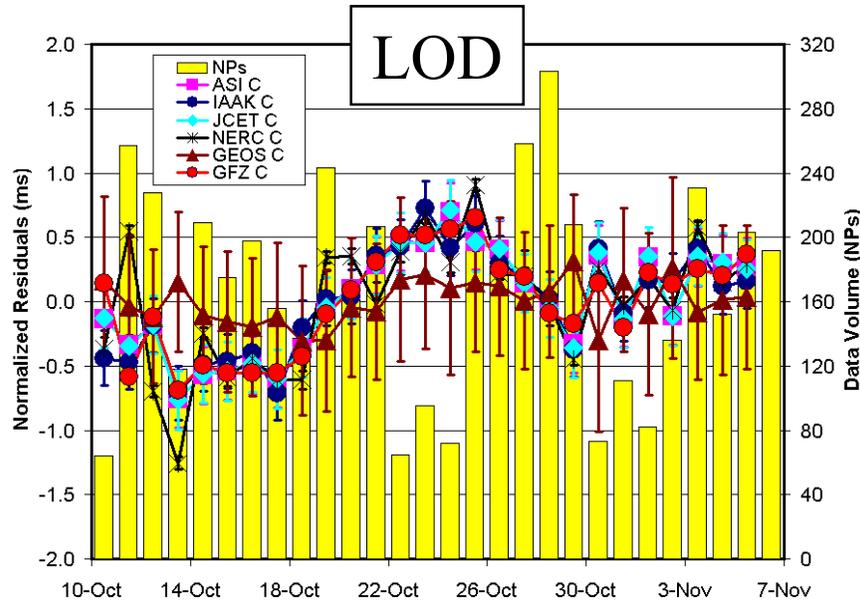
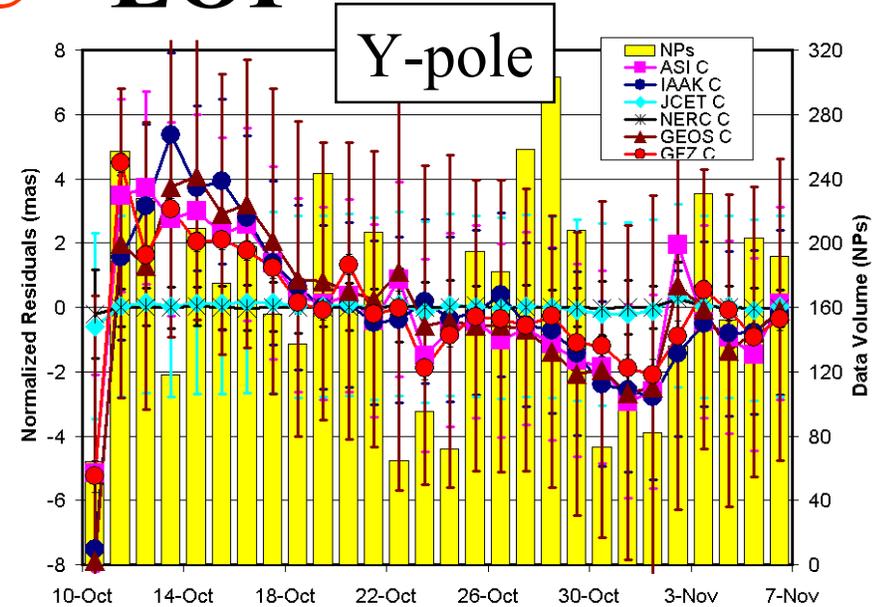
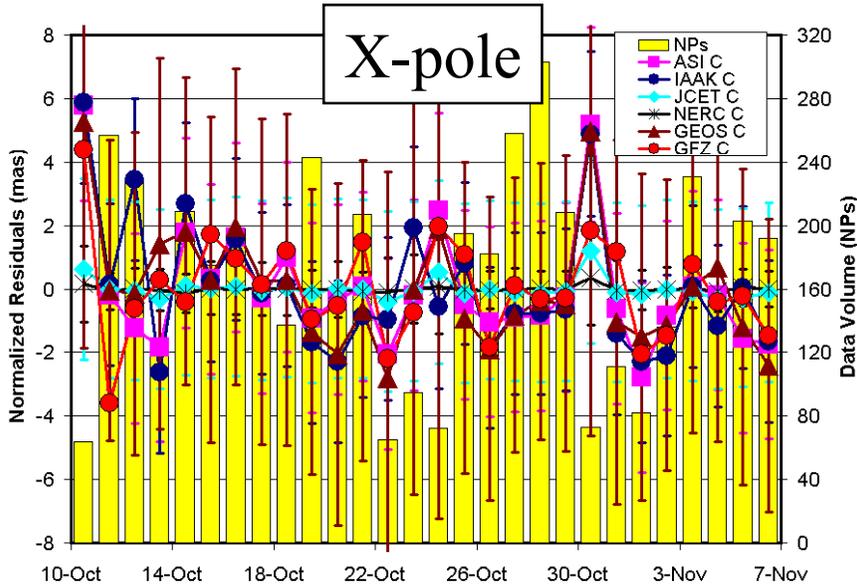


## Range Bias Analysis – Solution D

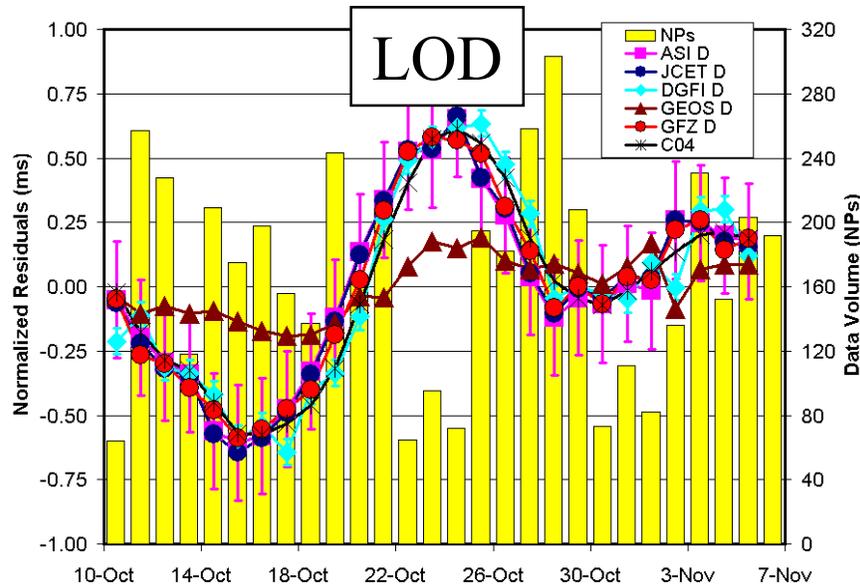
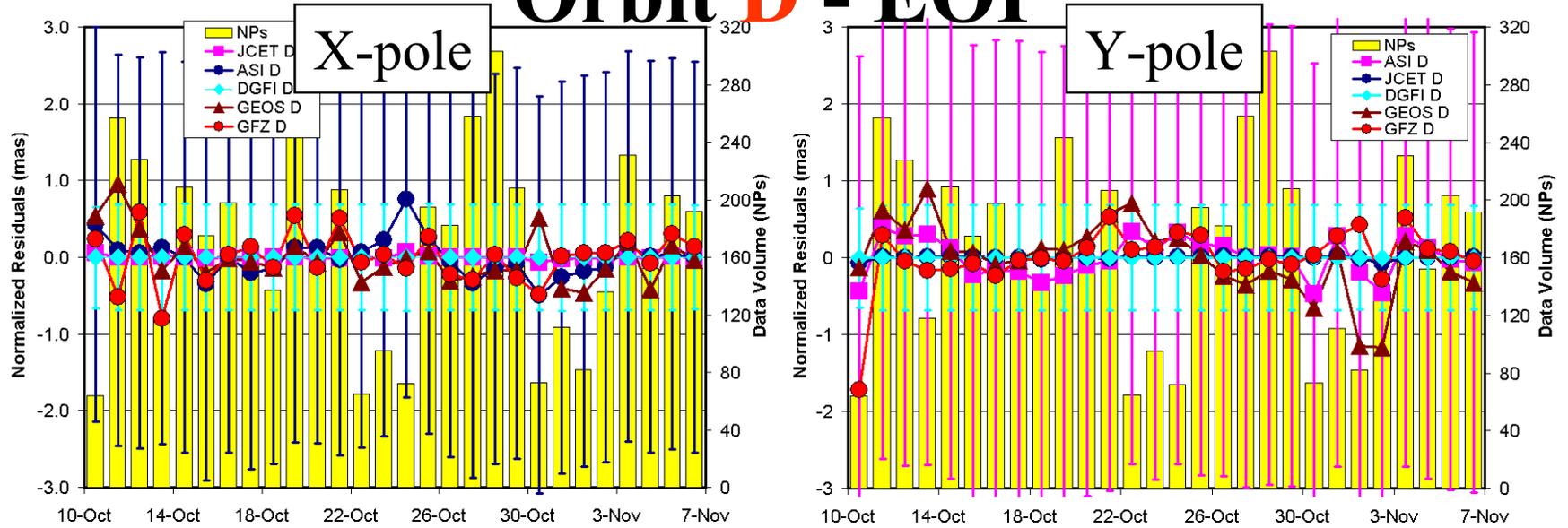


# **EOP Comparisons (X-Pole, Y-Pole, LOD, UT1)**

# Orbit C - EOP



# Orbit D - EOP



**How can we minimize this  
differences?**